



## RMAP BULLETIN 16 NOVEMBER 2004

### SEMINARS OF INTEREST

#### **Bridge over Troubled Waters? Conflict and Cooperation in the Enclosure Movement in the South China Sea**

David Rosenberg, Visiting Fellow, Political and Social Change, RSPAS

Date & time: Wednesday 17 November, 2.00 - 3.30 pm

Venue: Seminar Room C, Coombs Building, ANU

(Joint Seminar: Department of Political and Social Change, Department of International Relations and Resource Management in Asia and Pacific Program)

#### **Sedimentation History, Sediment Source, and Sediment Budget in the Tropical, Montane, Cultivated Catchment of Lake Inle, Middle Eastern Myanmar (Burma)**

Taka Furuichi, PhD student, Centre for Resource and Environmental Studies (CRES)

The Australian National University (ANU)

Date & time: Monday 22 November, 2:00-3:00pm

Venue: CRES Seminar Room (6th Floor, W.K.Hancock Building [Bldg43], ANU)

(CRES Introductory Seminar)

#### **Social Justice, Economic Growth and Political Stability in South-East Asia**

The impact of economic liberalization on poverty reduction and increasing inequality

Jean-Luc MAURER, Professor, Institute of Development Studies, Geneva University

Date & time: Wednesday 24 November, 2.00 pm

Venue: Seminar Room C, Coombs building, ANU

(Department of Political and Social Change Seminar)

### RECENT ADDITIONS TO RMAP WEBSITE

#### **Working Papers**

<http://rspas.anu.edu.au/rmap/workingpapers.php>

Filer, C. and Imbun, B (2004). **A Short History of Mineral Development Policies In Papua New Guinea**. The Australian National University, Research School of Pacific and Asian Studies, RMAP Program (Working Paper No. 55).

#### **Conference Calendar**

[http://rspas.anu.edu.au/rmap/conf\\_calendar.html](http://rspas.anu.edu.au/rmap/conf_calendar.html)

**17th Commonwealth Forestry Conference. Forestry's Contribution for Poverty Reduction.** 28 February - 5 March 2005. Colombo, Sri Lanka. Conference website: [www.commonwealthforestry.org](http://www.commonwealthforestry.org)

### OTHER USEFUL TEXT ONLINE

1. The website of the **Convention on Biological Diversity** (<http://www.biodiv.org>) has been re-designed to facilitate searching, locating and retrieving of information, and to function as a central

component of the Communication, Education and Public Awareness (CEPA) programme of the Convention by offering new electronic communication tools designed to increase interaction with Parties, Governments and stakeholders.

2. The **CGIAR-CSI is now able to provide "Hole-filled seamless SRTM 90m Digital Elevation Data"** for almost the entire globe for download (Australia is not processed yet, but should be ready in the next couple of months). The SRTM DEM's have a resolution of 90m, and are provided in 5 deg x 5 deg tiles for easy download and use. These are available in both ArcInfo ASCII and GeoTiff format to facilitate ease of use. Available from: <http://srtm.csi.cgiar.org>

3. ten Kate, K., J. Bishop and R. Bayon, 2004. **Biodiversity Offsets: Views, Experience and the Business Case**. Available at <http://biodiversityeconomics.org/offsets>

## OTHER NEWS

1. **Black Harvest, Film-Making in the PNG Highlands**. Bob Connolly & Andrew Pike. Wed 24 Nov 6.30 pm, SAS Visions Theatre, National Museum of Australia, Acton Presented by the ANU National Institute of the Humanities & Creative Arts and others. (T: 6125 8396). For further information: <http://ni.anu.edu.au/events.asp>

### 2. Vanuatu - Saving Nemo

Click here for a [transcript from the ABC TV Program - Foreign Correspondent](http://www.abc.net.au/foreign/content/2004/s1239666.htm)

It seems the world just can't get enough of Nemo – the little clownfish star of the animated blockbuster, Finding Nemo. But as a result of all the attention, it's more about saving Nemo than finding him – with worldwide demand for tropical fish soaring since the release of the movie. In Vanuatu, there's been **wholesale harvesting of aquarium fish**, prompting allegations of corruption and exploitation. Environmentalists claim that international aquarium traders have been quick to cash in on the film's popularity, and as Mark Corcoran reports, the fear now is that the trade will destroy Vanuatu's tourism industry and threaten the supply of eating fish - vital for the survival of Pacific island communities.

3. **The University of California, Berkeley** invites applications for the 2005-2006 S.V. Ciriacy-Wantrup **Postdoctoral Fellowships in Natural Resource Studies**. More details see: [http://www.h-net.org/jobs/display\\_job.php?jobID=27707](http://www.h-net.org/jobs/display_job.php?jobID=27707)